

8-30/31 & 9-2/3/4 PARADES

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE
Saint Paul, Minnesota
CONDITIONAL ALTERNATIVE PERMIT
PERMIT NUMBER _____

(Chapter 366A Parades, Races and Public Assemblies)
(Permit subject to attached 8-30/31 & 9-2/3/4 Parades Guidelines,
amendment or issuance of alternative permit)

AUTHORIZATION IS GRANTED TO HOLD THE BELOW DESCRIBED EVENT:

ORGANIZATION/NAME OF EVENT: _____
ORGANIZATION ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____
CHAIRPERSON: _____ PHONE (DAY) _____ (EVE) _____
CELL PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____
ADDRESS OF CHAIRPERSON: _____

DATE OF EVENT: _____
START TIME: * _____ FINISH TIME: * _____ ASSEMBLY START TIME: * _____
EVENT LOCATION (ROUTE): * _____
BARRICADES NEEDED: ____ FROM PUBLIC WORKS?
(HOW MANY AND LOCATION) _____
ASSEMBLY LOCATION: _____
DISPERSAL LOCATION: * _____
PORTION OF STREET TO BE TRAVERSED/OCCUPIED: * _____
PORTION OF SIDEWALK(S) TO BE TRAVERSED/OCCUPIED: * _____

MINIMUM SPEED OF PARADE UNIT: n/a
MAXIMUM SPEED OF PARADE UNIT: n/a
MAXIMUM INTERVALS OF SPACE BETWEEN PARADE UNITS: n/a
MAXIMUM LENGTH OF PARADE OR RACE (In miles or fractions): n/a
SOUND AMPLIFICATION EQUIPMENT: _____
APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: _____ VEHICLES: no
PUBLIC FACILITIES OR EQUIPMENT TO BE UTILIZED: no

ALCOHOL APPROVAL: n/a FIREARMS APPROVAL: n/a

RESTRICTIONS: YES**
(Standard City Ordinance)

No participant will throw any object (candy, toy, leaflet, etc.) while on foot or from a parade unit which would likely draw a spectator into the path of any vehicle, horse or marching parade unit.**

The event holder is legally responsible until the area is released back to the City of Saint Paul. The area must be closed and cleaned no later than 1 ½ hours after the finish time noted above.

APPROVED: _____ PM228-R06
CHIEF OF POLICE OR DESIGNEE DATE

* To be determined at a later date.

** Further standards, conditions and restrictions to be determined at a later date.

**GUIDELINES REGARDING ISSUANCE OF PERMITS TO CONDUCT PARADES
PURSUANT TO SECTION 366A OF THE SAINT PAUL LEGISLATIVE CODE IN
CERTAIN AREAS OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA ON AUGUST 30-31,
2008, AND SEPTEMBER 2-4, 2008**

THESE GUIDELINES REGARDING ISSUANCE OF PERMITS TO CONDUCT PARADES PURSUANT TO SECTION 366A OF THE SAINT PAUL LEGISLATIVE CODE IN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA ON AUGUST 30-31, 2008, AND SEPTEMBER 2-4, 2008, are promulgated this 29 day of February, 2008.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the 2008 Republican National Convention (the "2008 RNC") will be held at the Xcel Energy Center in Saint Paul, Minnesota ("Saint Paul") from September 1, 2008 until September 4, 2008; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the 2008 RNC will result in approximately 45,000 visitors to Saint Paul, including approximately 15,000 media persons who will be using the Saint Paul RiverCentre convention facility adjoining the Xcel Energy Center, as well as other areas in close proximity thereto, for media workspace; and

WHEREAS, located within the area including and surrounding the Xcel Energy Center to be depicted by the SPPD on a map that will be attached hereto as Attachment A, no later than May 31, 2008, and hereinafter referred to as the "Primary Event Area," is a significant portion of Saint Paul's commercial, medical (including two of Saint Paul's three major hospitals) and cultural districts, as well as some of the City's most heavily traveled streets and points of freeway ingress and egress for a significantly large number of persons who travel in and out of downtown Saint Paul on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, the area abutting and adjacent to much of the Primary Event Area Center to be depicted by the SPPD on a map that will be attached hereto as Attachment A, no later than May 31, 2008, and hereinafter referred to as the "Secondary Event Area," also contains significant commercial, medical (including the third of Saint Paul's three major hospitals), cultural, retail and residential interests, together with most of the offices and employees that comprise the three branches of government of the State of Minnesota. The Secondary Event Area also includes some of the City's most heavily traveled streets and points of freeway ingress and egress for a significantly large number of persons who travel in and out of downtown Saint Paul on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, since it is anticipated that most of the visitors to the 2008 RNC including but not limited to, delegates, media representatives and other credentialed attendees at the 2008 RNC, will be traveling to and from the Xcel Energy Center and Saint Paul RiverCentre by motorized vehicle, including motor coaches, or by foot, there is a compelling need for the City of Saint Paul, Minnesota, a municipal corporation (the "City"), acting primarily through its police department (the "SPPD"), to undertake extensive and thoughtful planning and coordination with

many interested and affected parties, such as emergency responders, area hospitals, downtown residents and businesses and 2008 RNC transportation coordinators, so as to, among other things, ensure the safe and orderly movement of pedestrian and vehicular traffic, including public safety and other emergency vehicles, to, from, through and within the Primary and Secondary Event Areas during the 2008 RNC; and

WHEREAS, there is also a compelling need for the City and the SPPD to undertake extensive and thoughtful planning and coordination so as to ensure the safety and well-being of all persons who live in, work in or visit the Primary and Secondary Event Areas during the 2008 RNC. As with other events similar to the 2008 RNC and pursuant to federal law, the President of the United States has directed the Secretary of the United States Department of Homeland Security, to designate the 2008 RNC as a "National Special Security Event." As such, special precautions and safety measures will need to be developed and undertaken by the United States Secret Service (hereinafter referred to as the "USSS") with regard to securing the inside of the Xcel Energy Center and the area immediately surrounding it. Since the SPPD is responsible for securing and making safe the area outside of the Xcel Energy Center, the SPPD as part of its security planning for the 2008 RNC, will need to confer and coordinate with the USSS, and other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, given the size and scope of the 2008 RNC, the City's above-described on-going planning and preparatory activities, are in some instances, likely to continue up to the commencement and through the conclusion of the 2008 RNC; and

WHEREAS, the requirements and standards by which City controlled public sidewalks and streets within Saint Paul may be used in certain instances for the purposes of conducting parades and public assemblies are set forth in Chapter 366A of the City of Saint Paul's Legislative Code (hereinafter referred to as the "Code"); and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to ensuring that the rights of all persons who wish to exercise their rights of free speech and to peaceably assemble in Saint Paul during the 2008 RNC as guaranteed by the First Amendment are maintained in conformance with all applicable legal requirements; and

WHEREAS, although September 1, 2008 is the opening day of the 2008 RNC, it is also a national holiday, in which the SPPD expects that many of the commercial, medical, cultural, governmental and retail interests located within the Primary Event and Secondary Event Areas will either be closed or operating on a reduced basis, thereby resulting in an attendant diminishment of non-2008 RNC related vehicular and pedestrian traffic in such areas; and

WHEREAS, unlike September 1, 2008, the SPPD expects that many of the commercial, medical, cultural, governmental and retail interests located within the Primary Event and Secondary Event Areas will be open for business and operating at full capacity between September 2-4, 2008, thereby resulting in a significant attendant increase of non-2008 RNC related vehicular and pedestrian traffic in such areas; and

WHEREAS, the SPPD further expects that significant preparatory and staging activity related to the 2008 RNC will be conducted between August 30-31, 2008, in the Primary Event and Secondary Event Areas, thereby resulting in a significant attendant increase of vehicular and pedestrian traffic in such areas; and

WHEREAS, as part of its above-described planning and preparatory activities, the SPPD anticipates that persons and/or groups of persons may seek to exercise their rights of free speech and to peaceably assemble as guaranteed by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, by conducting parades on August 30-31, 2008, and September 2-4, 2008, in Saint Paul, the route of which parade may include some portions of the Secondary Event Area; and

WHEREAS, in light of the factors described in the foregoing recitals and based upon his consideration of all relevant information related thereto, that is known to him, as of the above-referenced date, Assistant Chief Matt Bostrom of the SPPD ("Assistant Chief Bostrom"), acting on behalf of the City, in his authority as the person designated with the responsibility of issuing permits during the 2008 RNC, pursuant to Chapter 366A of the Code, issues these guidelines so as to provide guidance and assistance to any and all persons and/or groups of persons who seek a permit to conduct a parade on August 30-31, 2008, and September 2-4, 2008, in the Secondary Event Area. It is the intent and purpose of the City, that these guidelines shall be applied equally and in a content-neutral manner to all such persons and/or groups; and

WHEREAS, the SPPD has promulgated similar guidelines to those contained herein, whereby the SPPD has committed to do, among other things: 1) facilitate the conduct of pedestrian parades by any and all persons and groups wishing to engage in such activity on September 1, 2008, along routes that are within portions of the Primary and Secondary Event Areas; and 2) facilitate the conduct of public assemblies within designated area[s] in the Primary Event Area by any and all persons and groups wishing to engage in such activity, on each day of the 2008 RNC, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 11:00 PM, Central Daylight Time.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals and pursuant to the authority provided in Chapter 366A of the Code, the SPPD hereby agrees that that the following guidelines shall apply to any and all persons and/or groups of persons who seek a permit to conduct a parade on August 30-31, 2008, and September 2-4, 2008, in the Secondary Event Area:

1. **Parade Staging Area** - Commencing on March 3, 2008 and continuing thereafter through and until, August 30-31, 2008, and September 2-4, 2008, the SPPD will approve all applications for permits, or the portions thereof, filed in accordance with Chapter 366A of the Code, to conduct parades and public assemblies on August 30-31, 2008, and September 2-4, 2008, that include those streets and sidewalks in the Secondary Event Area depicted on Attachment B attached hereto (referred to herein as the "Parade Staging Area") for any lawfully permitted purpose. Due to the fact that the above-described planning activities have not yet progressed to the point where the SPPD is able to make the fully-informed and objective findings required to be made under Section 366A.06(a), the time period by which such parades or public assemblies shall be conducted in the Parade Staging Area shall be determined by the SPPD by the earliest opportunity that such planning activities allow, and no later than May 31, 2008.

2. **Secondary Event Area Parade Route[s]** - Commencing on March 3, 2008 and continuing thereafter through and until, August 30-31, 2008, and September 2-4, 2008, the SPPD will approve all applications for permits, or the portions thereof, filed in accordance with Chapter 366A of the Code, to conduct parades on August 30-31, 2008, and September 2-4, 2008, commencing from the Parade Staging Area and proceeding along a route[s], to be determined by the SPPD by the earliest opportunity that the above-described planning activities allow and no later than May 31, 2008. Additionally, due to the fact that the above-described planning activities have not yet progressed to the point where the SPPD is able to make the fully-informed and objective findings required to be made under Section 366A.06(a), the time period by which such parades shall be conducted within the Secondary Event Area shall also be determined by the SPPD by the earliest opportunity that such planning activities allow, and no later than May 31, 2008. Upon the designation by the SPPD of the route[s] and time period by which such parades may be conducted, such route[s] and time period shall be described in an amendment to these guidelines and referenced as Attachment C.
3. **General Provisions** – Unless otherwise provided herein, the following requirements, terms and conditions shall apply to each permit application, whether approved in whole or in part by the SPPD pursuant to these guidelines:
 - A. The SPPD shall waive the payment of any costs (e.g. costs for security, liability insurance, cleanup) otherwise allowed to be charged by the SPPD to the applicant pursuant to Chapter 366A of the Code, other than the permit application fees specified by Section 366A.05(a). Notwithstanding the foregoing, all applicants shall make reasonable efforts to minimize trash and shall designate parade marshals.
 - B. The permits approved and issued pursuant to these guidelines shall be non-exclusive and shall only be for a pedestrian parade. Except for those needed by City emergency and law enforcement providers, no motorized vehicles or bicycles shall be allowed in or along the Secondary Event Area Parade Route[s]. In addition to being subject to those conditions expressly described in Chapter 366A of the Code, including, but not limited to Section 366A.14.(e), the SPPD reserves the right to establish any other lawful and reasonable conditions of conduct during the parades permitted pursuant to these guidelines, that the SPPD may deem necessary to ensure public safety and orderly and expeditious movement related thereto. Any such conditions of conduct shall be set forth in the amendment to these guidelines referenced in Section 3 herein.
 - C. These guidelines are promulgated by the SPPD in good faith and based upon the best information known to the SPPD as of the above date. As described in the recitals herein, much of the planning activities for National Special Security Events such as the 2008 RNC are a fluid, continuing process that often continues through the event itself. Thus, it is possible that due to circumstances or information not yet known to the SPPD, these guidelines and any permits issued

pursuant thereto, may need to be modified or revised. Accordingly, consistent with the good faith basis by which they were promulgated, the SPPD reserves the right to modify and/or revise these guidelines, and any permits issued pursuant thereto, if necessary.

- D. Nothing contained in these guidelines shall supersede, waive or be construed as being inconsistent or in conflict with any obligation, right or authority imposed upon, or held by, the City pursuant to federal, state or local law, including, but not limited to Chapter 366A of the Code.

CITY OF ST. PAUL, POLICE DEPARTMENT

By:


Matt Bostrom

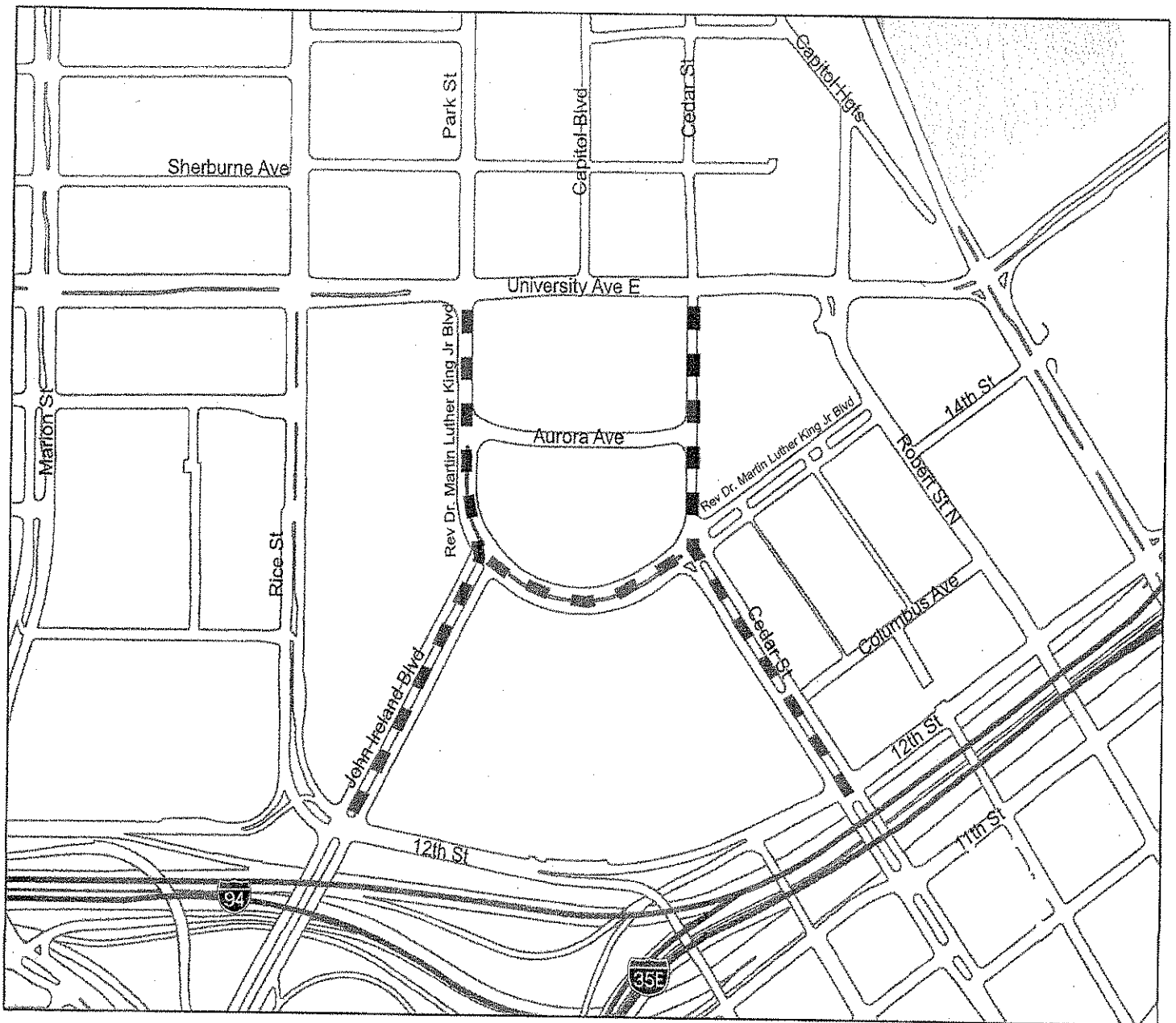
Its: Assistant Chief of Police



To be determined on or before
May 31, 2008

Attachment A

Primary and Secondary Event Areas



Attachment B

Parade Staging Area

To be determined on or before
May 31, 2008

Attachment C

Secondary Event Area Parade Route[s]